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LISTING OF THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

1. (Currently Amended) A composition comprising a fused pyrrolocarbazole with the formula:

wherein

R³-and R⁴ are selected from H, alkyl, Cl, Br, CH₂OH, CH₂SOCH₂CH₂, CH2SO2CH2CH3, NHCONHC6H5, CH2SCH2CH3, CH2SC6H5, NHCO2CH3; CH2OC(=O)NHCH2CH2, N(CH2)2, CH=NNH, CH2N(CH3)2, and CH2OCH2CH2; R3 is selected from H and alkyl; and R¹⁵ and R¹⁶ are independently selected from H, alkyl,

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OH, CH₂OH, alkoxy, and CO₂alkyl; or a stereoisomer or pharmaceutically acceptable salt form thereof; at least 20% (w/w) of a poloxyl stearate; and at least one polyethylene glycol.

- 2. (Original) The composition of claim 1 wherein the fused pyrrolocarbazole is present at a concentration of about 1 to about 100 mg/mL.
- 3. (Original) The composition of claim 2 wherein the fused pyrrolocarbazole is present at a concentration of about 1 to about 50 mg/mL.
 - 4. (Canceled)
 - 5. (Canceled)
- 6. (Original) The composition of claim 1 wherein the polyethylene glycol has a molecular weight from about 300 to 8000 Daltons.
- 7. (Original) The composition of claim 6 wherein the polyethylene glycol has a molecular weight from about 400 to 3350 Daltons.
- 8. (Original) The composition of claim 7 wherein the polyethylene glycol has a molecular weight from about 400 to 1500 Daltons.
- 9. (Currently Amended) The composition of claim 5 1 wherein the polyethylene glycol is selected from PEG-400, PEG-600, PEG-1000, and PEG-1450.
- 10. (Original) The composition of claim 9 wherein the polyoxyl stearate is Myrj[®] 52.

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- (Original) The composition of claim 10 wherein the ratio of polyethylene 11. glycol:polyoxyl stearate ranges from 50:50 to 80:20.
- 12. (Original) The composition of claim 11 wherein the ratio of polyethylene glycol:polyoxyl stearate is 50:50.
- 13. (Original) The composition of claim 11 wherein the ratio of polyethylene glycol:polyoxyl stearate is 80:20.
- 14. (Original) The composition of claim 1 comprising a polyethylene glycol mixture selected from PEG-400/PEG-1000, PEG-400/PEG-1450, PEG-600/PEG-1000, and PEG-600/PEG-1450.
- 15. (Original) The composition of claim 14 wherein the ratio of the polyethylene glycol mixture:polyoxyl stearate is from 50:50 to 80:20.
- 16. (Original) The composition of claim 15 wherein the ratio of the polyethylene glycol mixture:polyoxyl stearate is 50:50.
- 17. (Original) The composition of claim 15 wherein the ratio of the polyethylene glycol mixture:polyoxyl stearate is 80:20.
- 18. (Original) The composition of claim 16 wherein the composition comprises PEG-400:PEG-1000:polyoxyl stearate in a ratio of 25:25:50.
- 19. (Original) The composition of claim 16 wherein the composition comprises PEG-400:PEG-1450:polyoxyl stearate in a ratio of 25:25:50.

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- (Original) The composition of claim 17 wherein the composition comprises PEG-400:PEG-1000:polyoxyl stearate in a ratio of 40:40:20.
- 21. (Original) The composition of claim 17 wherein the composition comprises PEG-400:PEG-1450:polyoxyl stearate in a ratio of 40:40:20.
- 22. (Withdrawn) A method of treating a disease or disorder in a mammal, comprising administering a composition of claims 1, 12, or 19 to a subject in need thereof.
- 23. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 22 wherein the disorder is a neurological disorder.
 - 24. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 22 wherein the disorder is cancer.
- 25. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 24 wherein the cancer is prostate cancer.
- 26. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 24 wherein the cancer is acute myelogenous leukemia.
- 27. (Withdrawn) A method for preparing a composition of comprising a fused pyrrolocarbazole, at least one organic solvent, at least one surfactant, and optionally an antioxidant wherein the composition is non-aqueous and particle-forming comprising:
- heating the organic solvent and optionally the antioxidant to about 50-90 °C to form a heated mixture;
- mixing the fused pyrrolocarbazole in the heated mixture with a high shear homogenizer to form a homogenized mixture; and
 - mixing the surfactant to the homogenized mixture. (c)

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- 28. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 27 wherein the composition includes at least one antioxidant.
- 29. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 27 wherein the temperature is from about 50-80 °C.
- 30. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 29 wherein the temperature is from about 50-70 °C.
- 31. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 27 wherein the fused pyrrolocarbazole has the formula:

or a stereoisomer or pharmaceutically acceptable salt form thereof, wherein: ring B and ring F, are independently selected from:

- an unsaturated 6-membered carbocyclic aromatic ring in which from 1 to 3 a) carbon atoms may be replaced by nitrogen atoms;
- **b**) an unsaturated 5-membered carbocyclic aromatic ring; and
- c) an unsaturated 5-membered carbocyclic aromatic ring in which either:
 - 1) one carbon atom is replaced with an oxygen, nitrogen, or sulfur;
 - 2) two carbon atoms are replaced with a sulfur and a nitrogen, an oxygen and a nitrogen, or two nitrogens; or
 - 3) three carbon atoms are replaced with three nitrogens;

G-X-W is selected from:

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- a) $-(Z^1Z^2)C-N(R^1)-C(Z^1Z^2)-$;
- b) $-CH(R^{1})-C(=O)-N(R^{1})-;$ and
- c) $-N(R^1)-C(=O)-CH(R^1)-$;
- Z¹ and Z², at each occurrence, are independently selected from H, H; H, OR; H, SR; H, $N(R)_2$; and a group wherein Z^1 and Z^2 together form a moiety selected from =0. =S, and =NR; with the proviso that at least one of the pairs Z^1 and Z^2 form =O;

R is selected from H, substituted or unsubstituted alkyl

having from 1 to 6 carbons, OH, alkoxy having from 1 to 4 carbons, OC(=O)R^{1a}, OC(=O)NR^{1c}R^{1d}, O(CH₂)_pNR^{1c}R^{1d}, O(CH₂)_pOR^{1b}, substituted or unsubstituted arylalkyl having from 6 to 10 carbons, and substituted or unsubstituted heteroarylalkyl;

R¹ is selected independently from:

- H, substituted or unsubstituted alkyl having from 1 to 6 carbons, a) substituted or unsubstituted aryl, substituted or unsubstituted arylalkyl, substituted or unsubstituted heteroaryl, and substituted or unsubstituted heteroarylalkyl;
- $C(=0)R^{1a}$; b)
- OR1b; c)
- $C(=O)NHR^{1b}$, $NR^{1c}R^{1d}$, $(CH_2)_pNR^{1c}R^{1d}$, $(CH_2)_pOR^{1b}$, $O(CH_2)_pOR^{1b}$ and d) $O(CH_2)_pNR^{1c}R^{1d}$;

R^{la} is selected from substituted or unsubstituted alkyl. substituted or unsubstituted aryl and heteroaryl;

R^{lb} is selected from H and substituted or unsubstituted alkyl having from 1 to 6 carbons;

R^{1c} and R^{1d} are each independently selected from H. substituted or unsubstituted alkyl having from 1 to 4 carbons, and a linking group of the formula $-(CH_2)_2-X^1-(CH_2)_2-$;

X¹ is selected from -O-, -S-, and -CH₂-;

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 R^2 is selected from H, SO_2R^{2a} , CO_2R^{2a} , $C(=O)R^{2a}$, $C(=O)NR^{2c}R^{2d}$.

and alkyl of 1-8 carbons, alkenyl of 2-8 carbons, alkynyl of 2-8 carbons, wherein:

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- each alkyl, alkenyl, and alkynyl is unsubstituted; or
- 2) each alkyl, alkenyl, and alkynyl is substituted with 1-3 R⁵;

R^{2a} is selected from alkyl of 1 to 6 carbons, aryl, OR^{2b},

CONH₂, NR^{2c}R^{2d}, (CH₂)_nNR^{2c}R^{2d}, and O(CH₂)_nNR^{2c}R^{2d};

R^{2b} is selected from H and substituted or unsubstituted alkyl

having from 1 to 6 carbons:

R^{2c} and R^{2d} are each independently selected from H,

substituted or unsubstituted alkyl having from 1 to 6 carbons, and a linking group of the formula

 $-(CH_2)_2-X^1-(CH_2)_2-;$

R³ and R⁴, at each occurrence, are independently selected

from:

- H, aryl, heteroaryl, F, Cl, Br, I, CN, CF₃, NO₂, OH, OR⁹, O(CH₂)_pNR¹¹R¹² a) , OC(=0)R 9 , OC(=0)NR 11 R 12 , O(CH₂) $_{p}$ OR 10 , CH₂OR 10 , NR 11 R 12 , $NR^{10}S(=O)_2R^9$, and $NR^{10}C(=O)R^9$;
- CH₂OR¹⁴: b)
- $NR^{10}C(=O)NR^{11}R^{12}$, CO_2R^{10} , $C(=O)R^9$, $C(=O)NR^{11}R^{12}$, $CH=NOR^{10}$, c) CH=NR¹⁰, $(CH_2)_pNR^{11}R^{12}$, $(CH_2)_pNHR^{14}$, and CH=NNR¹¹R¹²;
- $S(O)_{\nu}R^{9}$, $(CH_{2})_{o}S(O)_{\nu}R^{9}$, $CH_{2}S(O)_{\nu}R^{14}$; d)
- alkyl having from 1 to 8 carbons, alkenyl having from 2 to 8 carbons, and e) alkynyl having 2 to 8 carbons, wherein
 - 1) each alkyl, alkenyl, or alkynyl group is unsubstituted; or
 - each alkyl, alkenyl, or alkynyl group is substituted with 1 to 3 R⁵; 2)

R⁵ is selected from aryl having from 6 to 10 carbons,

heteroaryl, arylalkoxy, heterocycloalkoxy, hydroxyalkoxy, alkyloxy-alkoxy, hydroxyalkylthio, alkoxy-alkylthio, F, Cl, Br, I, CN, NO₂, OH, OR⁹,

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 $X^{2}(CH_{2})_{p}NR^{11}R^{12}$, $X^{2}(CH_{2})_{p}C(=0)NR^{11}R^{12}$, $X^{2}(CH_{2})_{p}OC(=0)NR^{11}R^{12}$, $X^{2}(CH_{2})_{n}CO_{2}R^{9}, X^{2}(CH_{2})_{n}S(O)_{v}R^{9}, X^{2}(CH_{2})_{n}NR^{10}C(=O)NR^{11}R^{12}, OC(=O)R^{9},$ $OC(=O)NHR^{10}$, O-tetrahydropyranyl, $NR^{11}R^{12}$, $NR^{10}C(=O)R^9$, $NR^{10}CO_2R^9$, $NR^{10}C(=0)NR^{11}R^{12}$, $NHC(=NH)NH_2$, $NR^{10}S(O)_2R^9$, $S(O)_2R^9$, CO_2R^{10} , C(=O)NR¹¹R¹², C(=O)R⁹, CH₂OR¹⁰, CH=NNR¹¹R¹², CH=NOR¹⁰, CH=NR⁹, CH=NNHCH(N=NH)NH₂, $S(=0)_2NR^{11}R^{12}$, $P(=0)_3(OR^{10})_2$, OR^{14} , and a monosaccharide having from 5 to 7 carbons wherein each hydroxyl group of the monosaccharide is independently either unsubstituted or is replaced by H, alkyl having from 1 to 4 carbons, alkylcarbonyloxy having from 2 to 5 carbons, or alkoxy having from of 1 to 4 carbons;

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 X^2 is O, S, or NR^{10} ;

Q is selected from:

- 1)
- 2) an unsubstituted alkylene of 1-3 carbons;
- 3) a substituted alkylene of 1-3 carbons;
- CH=CH, CH(OH)CH(OH), O, S, S(=O), S(=O)₂, C(=O), C(=NOR¹¹), 4) $C(OR^{11})(R^{11}), C(=O)CH(R^{13}), CH(R^{13})C(=O), C(R^{10})_2,$ C(=NOR¹¹)CH(R¹³), CH(R¹³)C(=NOR¹¹), CH₂Z, Z-CH₂, CH₂ZCH₂;

Z is selected from $C(R^{11})(OR^{11})$, O, S, C(=O), $C(=NOR^{11})$, and NR 11.

R⁶ is selected from H, SO₂R^{2a}, CO₂R^{2a}, C(=O)R^{2a}, C(=O)NR^{1c}R^{1d}, and alkyl of 1-8 carbons, alkenyl of 2-8 carbons, alkynyl of 2-8 carbons, wherein:

- 1) each alkyl, alkenyl, and alkynyl is unsubstituted;
- 2) each alkyl, alkenyl, and alkynyl is substituted with 1-3 R⁵; or alternatively, when Q is NR⁶ or C(R¹⁰)₂, R⁶ or one R¹⁰ joins. with R² to form:

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$$R^7 \longrightarrow Y \longrightarrow R^8$$
 $(CH_2)_m \qquad (CH_2)_n$

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wherein R⁷ and R⁸ are each independently selected from H, OH, alkyl having from 1 to 6 carbons, alkoxy having from 1 to 6 carbons, substituted or unsubstituted arylalkyl having from 6 to 10 carbons, substituted or unsubstituted heteroarylalkyl, (CH₂)_nOR¹⁰, (CH₂)_nOC(=O)NR¹¹R¹², and (CH₂)_nNR¹¹R¹²; or

R⁷ and R⁸ together form a linking group of the formula

CH₂-X³-CH₂:

X³ is a bond, O, S, or NR¹⁰;

R⁹ is selected from alkyl having 1 to 6 carbons, (CH₂)_raryl and (CH₂), heteroaryl;

R¹⁰ is selected from H, alkyl having from 1 to 6 carbons, (CH₂), aryl and (CH₂), heteroaryl;

R¹¹ and R¹², at each occurrence, are independently selected from:

- H and substituted or unsubstituted alkyl having from 1 to 6 carbons; or 1)
- R^{11} and R^{12} together form -(CH₂)₂-X¹-(CH₂)₂-;

Y is selected from O, S, $N(R^{10})$, $N^{+}(O^{-})(R^{10})$, $N(OR^{10})$, and CH_2 ;

J is selected from the group consisting of a bond, O, CH=CH, S, C(=O), CH(OR¹⁰), $N(R^{10})$, $N(OR^{10})$, $CH(NR^{11}R^{12})$, $C(=O)N(R^{17})$, $N(R^{17})C(=O)$, $N(S(O)_{\nu}R^{9})$, $N(S(O)_{v}NR^{11}R^{12})$, $N(C(=O)R^{17})$, $C(R^{15}R^{16})$, $N^{+}(O^{-})(R^{10})$, CH(OH)CH(OH), and $CH(O(C=O)R^9)CH(OC(=O)R^9);$

R¹³ is selected from alkyl having from 1 to 4 carbons, aryl, and arylalkyl having from 7 to 14 carbons;

R¹⁴ is the residue of an amino acid after the hydroxyl group of the carboxyl group is removed;

R¹⁵ and R¹⁶, at each occurrence is selected from H, OH.

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 $C(=O)R^{10}$, $O(C=O)R^9$, alkyl-OH, and CO_2R^{10} :

R¹⁷ is selected from the group consisting of H, alkyl, aryl, and heteroaryl;

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m and n are independently selected from 0, 1, and 2;

p is independently selected from 1, 2, 3, and 4;

r is independently selected from 0, 1, and 2; and

y is independently selected from 0, 1 and 2.

- 32. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 31 wherein ring B and ring F of the fused pyrrolocarbazole are phenyl, G-X-W is selected from CH₂NR¹C(=0), $C(=O)NR^{1}CH_{2}$, and $C(=O)NR^{1}C(=O)$, and Q is NR^{6} .
- 33. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 32 wherein the fused pyrrolocarbazole has the formula:

(Withdrawn) The method of claim 33 wherein R³ and R⁴ of the fused 34. pyrrolocarbazole are selected from H, alkyl, Cl, Br, CH₂OH, CH₂SOCH₂CH₃, CH₂SO₂CH₂CH₃, NHCONHC₆H₅, CH₂SCH₂CH₃, CH₂SC₆H₅, NHCO₂CH₃, CH₂OC(=O)NHCH₂CH₃, N(CH₃)₂, CH=NNH, CH₂N(CH₃)₂, and CH₂OCH₂CH₃; R⁷ is selected from H and alkyl; and R¹⁵ and R¹⁶ are independently selected from H, alkyl, OH, CH₂OH, alkoxy, and CO₂alkyl.

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35. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 34 wherein the fused pyrrolocarbazole has the formula:

- 36. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 27 wherein the organic solvent is at least one polyethylene glycol has a molecular weight from about 300 to 8000 Daltons.
- 37. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 36 wherein the polyethylene glycol has a molecular weight from about 400 to 1500 Daltons.
- 38. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 37 wherein the polyethylene glycol is selected from PEG-400, PEG-600, PEG-1000, and PEG-1450.
- 39. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 27 wherein the surfactant is selected from a polyoxyethylene sorbitan fatty acid ester, a polyethylene glycol ether, a saturated polyglycolized glyceride, a fatty acid ester of polyethylene glycol, a hydroxylated

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lecithin, a medium chain monoglyceride, a medium chain fatty acid ester, d-α-tocopheryl polyethylene glycol succinate, a polyethylene/propylene glycol copolymer, a poloxyl stearate, a poloxyl castor oil, and polyethylene glycol hydroxy stearate.

- 40. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 39 wherein the surfactant is selected from a polyethylene glycol ether, a saturated polyglycolized glyceride, a fatty acid ester of polyethylene glycol, a hydroxylated lecithin, a medium chain monoglyceride, a medium chain fatty acid ester, d-α-tocopheryl polyethylene glycol succinate, a polyethylene/propylene glycol copolymer, a poloxyl stearate, a poloxyl castor oil, and polyethylene glycol hydroxy stearate.
- 41. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 40 wherein the surfactant is a polyoxyl stearate.
- 42. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 28 wherein the antioxidant is selected from ascorbic acid, a fatty acid ester of ascorbic acid, butylated hydroxytoluene, propyl gallate, and butylated hydroxyanisole.
- 43. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 42 wherein the antioxidant is a mixture of butylated hydroxyanisole, propyl gallate and citric acid.
- 44. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 27 wherein the organic solvent is a polyethylene glycol with a molecular weight from about 400 to 1500 Daltons and the surfactant is a polyoxyl stearate.
- 45. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 44 wherein the polyethylene glycol is PEG-400, PEG-1000, or PEG-1450 and the polyoxyl stearate is Myrj[®] 52.

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46. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 27 wherein the organic solvent is a polyethylene glycol mixture selected from PEG-400/PEG-1000, PEG-400/PEG-1450, PEG-600/PEG-1000, or PEG-600/PEG-1450 and the polyoxyl stearate is Myrj[®] 52.